



Attorney Docket No. 27528U

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

MENGE, et al.

Serial No.: 10/587,836

Group Art Unit: 1624

Filed: August 16, 2006

Examiner: JAISLE, C.

For: **2-(PIPERIDIN-4-YL)-4,5-DIHYDRO-2H-PYRIDAZIN-3-ONE  
DERIVATIVES AS PDE4 INHIBITORS**

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated November 1, 2007. The three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on February 1, 2008. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed within the time period set by the Examiner.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 1-12 and 17-18 as outlined in Appendix A, attached herewith.

**REMARKS**

After entry of the above amendment, claims 1-13, 15 and 17-